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Applicants:

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 8 with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application relates to the following co-pending commonly owned patent applications: "GAMING DEVICE HAVING DUAL EVALUATION SCHEME," Serial No. 09/687,689, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-474; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING TRANSFORMABLE WILD SYMBOLS OR CARDS WITH WILD SIGNAL INDICATORS," Serial No. 09/957,305, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-734; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING WILD INDICATORS," Serial No. 09/960,883, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-738; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING A VARIED WILD SYMBOL IN A BONUS GAME," Serial No. 10/243,512, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-755; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING SYMBOLS WITH TRANSFORMATION PROBABILITIES," Serial No. 10/255,880, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-951; "GAMING DEVICE HAVING RESULTANT WILD SYMBOLS," Serial No. 10/191,154, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-1014; and "GAMING

DEVICE HAVING EXTENDER SYMBOLS," Serial No. 10/191,197, Attorney Docket No. 0112300-1015.